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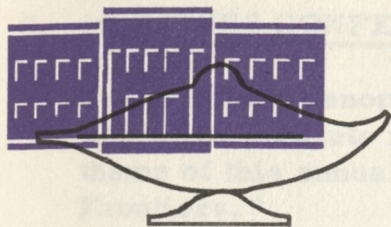
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From the Desk of the President



NEWSLETTER

PRAIRIE VIEW A. & M. COLLEGE

Prairie View, Texas

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A. CALENDAR - FEBRUARY, 1962

1. Second Semester Classes Begin	February	2
2. Income Tax Clinic	February	5
3. Ministers Conference	February	6-7
4. Religious Emphasis Week	February	11-14
5. Negro History Week	February	11-17
6. Honors Convocation	February	15
7. Class A & B State Basketball Tournament	February	11-17
8. Class AAAA, AAA, and AA State Tournament	February	22-24
9. College Basketball - -		

HERE

Prairie View vs Jackson College	February	17
Prairie View vs Southern University	February	19

AWAY

Prairie View vs Grambling College, Grambling, Louisiana	February	2
Prairie View vs Arkansas AM&N, Pine Bluff, Arkansas	February	5
Prairie View vs Southern University, Baton Rouge, La.	February	10
Prairie View vs Jackson College Jackson, Mississippi	February	12
Prairie View vs Huston-Tillotson, Austin, Texas	February	22

B. SEMESTER CHANGES

February 2 is the beginning of our Spring Semester. Orientation of new students and opening class activities will command our attention during the early part of the month. It is obviously a time for checks and balances for all of us -- to look back for high points, for mistakes, and to determine our course in the light of past experiences. Best wishes to all of you as we begin the second half of the 1961-62 term.

C. MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The religious denominations of the college will sponsor a Continuing Education Institute for Town and Country Ministers on February 6-7. The theme of this annual conference is "Christ is the Answer--Forward to New Frontiers."

D. RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK

The theme for Religious Emphasis Week, scheduled on February 11-14, is "Abiding Values for Life." The keynote speaker is the Reverend Kenneth Henry, professor of Religion at Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas. Reverend L. C. Phillip, College Chaplain, is in charge of these activities.

E. HONORS CONVOCATION

The Annual Honors Convocation sponsored by the local chapter of Alpha Pi Mu Honorary Society will bring to the campus a nationally known speaker in the person of Dr. Allison Davis, University of Chicago professor. Dr. Davis will address the student body at the 11:00 o'clock convocation on February 15. Other activities are being planned in connection with this major event.

F. INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE EVENTS

We are approaching the season when thousands of high school youngsters will be visiting the campus in connection with Interscholastic League events. Beginning February 15, the state basketball tournaments will open on the campus and continue the following week end. The annual Band Festival follows on March 7-10, and in April, the annual League meets. All staff members are urged to contribute in making the visits of high school students and their teachers a pleasant and memorable experience for them.

G. MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE ACTIVITIES

A renewal of several grants has been made recently for special programs in Mathematics and Science. These include--

1. Mathematics Institute (Summer) \$27,700
National Science Foundation
2. Science Research Participation Program \$12,340
National Science Foundation
3. Chemistry Research (Rare Earth Compounds).... \$15,000
Welch Foundation

Other grants and awards in the field are anticipated in the near future.

H. EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH

The College Educational Research Committee is currently involved in a very challenging program which seeks to strengthen the academic and cultural status of Negro High School students in Texas.

The project is being developed along lines similar to the "Higher Horizons" program sponsored by the Board of Education in New York City, and other similar programs in St. Louis, Missouri; Atlanta, Georgia; Arlington, Virginia and many of the "Great Cities." A demonstration project is proposed which will be presented for the annual Educational Conference scheduled on March 2.

I. CONGRATULATIONS

To the Basketball Team and Coach for the splendid record so far. The Panthers are leading the Southwestern Athletic Conference with a record of 7-0 and an overall season's record of 14-1. The team is ranked Number One in the Associated Press Weekly Basketball Poll.

To "Miss Prairie View," our student queen. The recent coronation ceremonies were very colorful and entertaining, and we want to express appreciation to the sponsors and the committee responsible for this affair.

J. REMEMBER

Pay your Poll Tax before January 31

Give to the NEW MARCH OF DIMES

K. IN CLOSING

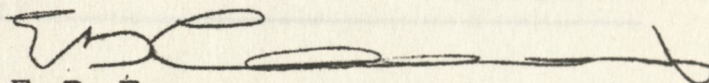
How can we be certain that quality teaching is built into our teacher preparation programs? This, in the opinion of President George F. Budd, St. Cloud State College, Minnesota, is the most important problem facing teacher education today.

The easiest standards to apply to teacher preparation are quantitative; the number of books in the library, the student-faculty ratio, the credit hours required for graduation. But these are superficial standards. What really counts is how good are those library books and how much are they used? How competent is the faculty? What is the breadth of the student's preparation during the length of his college attendance?

L. WORKERS' MEETING

Workers' Meeting Tuesday, February 6, 7:30 p.m., Administration Auditorium.

Very truly yours,



E. B. Evans
President

1. The Third Annual Education Conference	March	2
2. South Language Arts Institute	March	3
3. MOIS Band Concert	March	4
4. Postgraduate Medical Assembly	March	5-6
5. State Band Festival	March	7-10
6. Science Institute	March	10
7. In-Service Nursing Education Conference	March	11-13
8. NAIA Convention	March	14-17
9. NAIA State Judging Contest	March	18-19
10. Mid-Semester Examinations	March	21-22
11. Division of Industrial Education Installation	March	24
12. Athletics--		

Baseball - NAIA Playoff, Jeppesen Stadium,

Houston, Texas	March	1-2
Francis View (Southwestern Conference Champions)		
vs		
Illinois Poly. (Midwestern Conference Champions)		

NAIA TOURNAMENT, Kansas City, Missouri

Baseball

Francis View vs Arkansas (Hose)	March	16-17
Francis View vs Graceland (Texas)	March	23-24
Francis View vs Southern (Hose)	March	28-29

Track

Relay Champions	March	1-3
Florida Relays	March	23-24
Florida Southern Relays	March	24

2. CONGRATULATIONS PANTHERS

The College basketball team has remained in the Number One position among small colleges of the nation in the weekly Associated Press (AP)